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Idaho Winter Wheat Production Down 4 Percent

Idaho's 2006 winter wheat production is forecast at 61.1 million bushels, down 4 percent from last month's forecast, and 8 percent below last year's crop. This report is based on conditions as of June 1. The yield is forecasted to be 86 bushels per acre, down 4 bushels per acre from last month. Acres to be harvested, at 710,000, represent a 20,000 acre decrease from 2005.

Idaho hops strung for harvest in 2006 totaled 2,777 acres, down 16 percent from last year's harvested area of 3,287 acres.

United States winter wheat production is forecast at 1.26 billion bushels, down 4 percent from the May 1 forecast and 16 percent below 2005. Based on June 1 conditions, the

U.S. yield is forecast at 40.5 bushels per acre, down 1.9 bushels from last month and 3.9 bushels less than last year. Grain area totals 31.2 million acres, unchanged from May 1.

United States hops strung for harvest in 2006 totaled 28,928 acres, 2 percent lower than the 2005 crop of 29,463 acres harvested, but 4 percent higher than the 2004 crop of 27,742 acres harvested.

Winter Wheat: Area Harvested, Yield, and Production
Selected States and United States, 2005 and Forecasted June 1, 2006

State	Area Harvested		Yield			Production	
	2005	2006	2005	May 1, 2006	June 1, 2006	2005	2006
	<i>1,000 Acres</i>		<i>Bushels</i>			<i>1,000 Bushels</i>	
Arkansas	160	300	52.0	54.0	55.0	8,320	16,500
California	300	220	72.0	60.0	70.0	21,600	15,400
Colorado	2,200	2,000	24.0	27.0	23.0	52,800	46,000
Idaho	730	710	91.0	90.0	86.0	66,430	61,060
Illinois	600	870	61.0	63.0	65.0	36,600	56,550
Indiana	340	450	72.0	69.0	69.0	24,480	31,050
Kansas	9,500	9,400	40.0	34.0	31.0	380,000	291,400
Michigan	590	580	66.0	68.0	68.0	38,940	39,440
Missouri	540	870	54.0	53.0	53.0	29,160	46,110
Montana	2,100	1,950	45.0	42.0	39.0	94,500	76,050
Nebraska	1,760	1,650	39.0	38.0	34.0	68,640	56,100
North Carolina	435	440	57.0	48.0	48.0	24,795	21,120
Ohio	830	960	71.0	69.0	68.0	58,930	65,280
Oklahoma	4,000	3,100	32.0	22.0	22.0	128,000	68,200
Oregon	780	760	61.0	55.0	55.0	47,580	41,800
South Dakota	1,490	1,250	44.0	45.0	38.0	65,560	47,500
Texas	3,000	1,300	32.0	27.0	25.0	96,000	32,500
Washington	1,800	1,800	67.0	68.0	68.0	120,600	122,400
United States	33,794	31,177	44.4	42.4	40.5	1,499,129	1,263,766

Mid-May Prices Received by Farmers

Preliminary indications of prices received by Idaho farmers for the month of May showed increases from April for feed barley, malting barley, all barley, dry beans and all wheat. Price declines included potatoes, beef cattle, cows, steers and heifers, calves, and all milk.

Nationally, the preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by Farmers in May, at 114, based on 1990-92=100, increased 1 point (0.9 percent) from April. Producers received higher prices for lettuce, hogs, onions, and grapefruit. Lower prices were received for cattle, asparagus, tomatoes, and eggs.

Prices Received by Farmers for Selected Commodities, May 2005-May 2006

Commodity	Unit	Idaho			United States			
		May 2005	April 2006	May 2006 ^{1/}	May 2005	April 2006	May 2006	
							Price ^{1/}	% Parity
CROPS:								
Alfalfa Hay	Ton	101.00	110.00	110.00	116.00	110.00	118.00	--
Barley, All	Bu.	3.19	3.00	3.09	2.46	2.67	2.70	37
Feed	Bu.	1.88	2.06	2.10	1.71	1.83	1.78	--
Malting	Bu.	3.37	3.13	3.20	2.90	2.91	3.06	--
Dry Beans	Cwt.	24.60	18.70	18.80	31.10	19.00	22.80	42
Potatoes ^{2/}	Cwt.	4.45	6.65	6.40	6.23	7.97	8.29	52
Fresh ^{3/}	Cwt.	2.80	6.80	--	7.42	10.62	--	--
Processing	Cwt.	4.60	5.20	--	5.68	6.09	--	--
Wheat, All	Bu.	3.54	3.46	3.65	3.31	3.81	4.07	39
LIVESTOCK & PRODUCTS:								
Beef Cattle ^{4/}	Cwt.	85.80	77.60	73.60	92.10	84.80	81.80	43
Cows ^{5/}	Cwt.	58.40	46.20	45.40	58.30	48.50	48.00	--
Steers & Heifers	Cwt.	94.50	87.50	82.50	96.10	89.30	85.80	--
Calves	Cwt.	134.00	127.00	124.00	143.00	135.00	132.00	49
Lambs	Cwt.	114.00	75.00	--	114.00	86.80	--	--
Milk, All ^{6/}	Cwt.	13.50	11.10	11.00	14.70	12.10	^{7/} 12.00	^{8/} 31
Fluid Grade ^{9/}	Cwt.	13.50	11.10	--	14.70	12.20	^{7/} 12.00	--
Mfg. Grade	Cwt.	13.50	10.60	--	14.00	11.30	^{7/} 11.20	--

1/ Mid-Month. 2/ Average price of potatoes sold for all uses, including table stock, processing, seed and livestock feed. 3/ Fresh market prices only, includes table stock prices. 4/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined. 5/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter. 6/ Before deductions for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies. 7/ Fat test percent: all milk 3.63, fluid milk 3.62, mfg grade 3.89. 8/ Seasonally adjusted price as percentage of parity price. 9/ Including milk diverted to manufacturing.

United States Price Index Summary Table

Index 1990-92 = 100	April 2005	May 2005	April 2006		May 2006 Preliminary
			Preliminary	Revised	
Prices Received	121	119	115	113	114
Prices Paid	140	140	147	146	146
Ratio ^{1/}	86	85	78	77	78

1/ Ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid.

U.S. Dairy Products April 2006 Highlights

Total cheese output (excluding cottage cheese) was 780 million pounds, 3.3 percent above April 2005 but 4.0 percent below March 2006.

Italian type cheese production totaled 329 million pounds, 5.8 percent above April 2005 but 5.0 percent below March 2006.

American type cheese production totaled 334 million pounds, 1.9 percent above April 2005 but 1.4 percent below March 2006.

Butter production was 128 million pounds 9.2 percent above April 2005 but 10.0 percent below March 2006.

Frozen dessert: (comparisons with April 2005)

Ice cream

Regular (hard) --- 77.6 million gallons, down 0.7 percent.

Lowfat (total) --- 31.9 million gallons, down 3.8 percent.

Nonfat (hard) --- 1.32 million gallons, down 21.3 percent.

Sherbet (hard) --- 4.57 million gallons, down 10.5 percent.

Frozen Yogurt (total) --- 5.98 million gallons, up 4.2 percent.

Nonfat dry milk for human food: (comparisons with April 2005)

— 129 million pounds, up 23.0 percent.

Idaho Nursery & Greenhouse Sales Increase

Idaho nurseries and greenhouses sold an estimated 79.4 million dollars of plants and plant materials in 2005, a 19% increase from 2004. This survey reflects only the total gross sales of Idaho grown plants and plant materials including Christmas trees.

Total gross value of sales was reported for various plant and plant material categories. Field grown sales in 2005 accounted for 73% of the total gross sales at \$57.8 million, while Greenhouse grown sales accounted for 26% at \$21.0 million. Christmas tree sales in 2005 accounted for 1% of the total gross sales at \$554,000.

Total Gross Sales by Category of Plant Material, 2000-2005

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
FIELD GROWN:.....	<i>(1,000 Dollars)</i>					
Bare Root.....	1,926	1,860	1,702	1,594	1,271	1,195
Balled and Burlapped	17,490	17,283	18,913	22,059	23,958	28,590
Container	5,467	5,969	6,060	10,026	5,943	10,409
Sod.....	11,105	10,783	11,335	13,721	14,306	17,397
Other [bulbs, corms, tubers, etc.].....	94	100	47	74	1,486	232
Total Field Grown Sales:	36,082	35,995	38,057	47,474	46,964	57,823
GREENHOUSE GROWN:.....						
Houseplants	3,633	3,023	2,891	2,827	2,882	2,945
Cut Flowers	897	969	822	660	582	632
Bedding Plants [annuals, perennials, vegetables, etc.]	9,087	10,723	10,929	12,165	13,417	15,869
Seedlings/Liners	1,509	1,672	1,774	1,269	1,524	1,495
Other [plant material not included above]	3,323	1,860	1,026	1,008	759	46
Total Greenhouse Grown Sales	18,449	18,427	17,442	17,929	19,164	20,987
TOTAL GROSS SALES [excludes Christmas Trees] ...	54,531	54,242	55,499	65,403	66,128	78,810
Christmas Trees [cut trees only].....	1,211	1,093	942	720	642	554
TOTAL GROSS SALES	55,742	55,335	56,441	66,123	66,770	79,364

Total Gross Nursery & Greenhouse Sales - 1996 & 1999

Nursery and Greenhouse	1996	1999
	<i>(1,000 Dollars)</i>	
Bare Root.....	1,617	1,782
Balled and Burlapped	10,445	14,436
Container	5,716	6,077
Greenhouse.....	9,816	12,236
Sod.....	5,227	9,519
Houseplants and Cut Flowers	1/	2,503
Other Plant Materials ^{2/}	4,776	1,599
TOTAL GROSS SALES	37,607	48,152

1/ Included in other plant material. 2/ Included bulbs, houseplants, cut flowers, tubings, tubers, etc in 1996. Included bulbs, tubings, tubers, etc in 1999.

Idaho Garden Seed Bean Production and Value

A garden bean seed survey was conducted in Idaho for the 2005 crop year. Idaho's garden bean seed production was estimated at 29.0 million pounds, down from 33.5 million pounds produced in 2004. A total of 17,000 acres of garden seed beans were harvested in Idaho for the 2005 crop, down from 19,500 acres harvested in 2004. The average clean yield per harvested acre was 1,710 pounds, down less than one percent from the average yield of 1,720 pounds achieved in 2004. The farm level value of production for the 2005 crop was \$11.7 million, down from \$13.9 million for the 2004 crop.

Idaho Garden Seed: Area Harvested, Yield, Production, Price, and Value, 1996-2005

Year	Harvested	Yield	Production	Price	Value
	<i>Acres</i>	<i>Pounds</i>	<i>1,000 Pounds</i>	<i>\$/cwt</i>	<i>\$1,000</i>
1996	25,000	1,660	41,500	\$42.60	\$17,679
1997	25,000	1,700	42,500	\$40.20	\$17,085
1998	16,000	2,060	33,000	\$40.70	\$13,431
1999	19,000	2,050	39,000	\$39.60	\$15,444
2000	18,500	1,730	32,000	\$36.50	\$11,680
2001	12,500	1,960	24,500	\$37.00	\$9,065
2002	14,500	2,000	29,000	\$38.30	\$11,107
2003	17,000	1,760	30,000	\$38.30	\$11,490
2004	19,500	1,720	33,500	\$41.50	\$13,903
2005	17,000	1,710	29,000	\$40.40	\$11,716